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LC SEEKS ETHNIC PUBLICATIONS

The newly established American Folklife Center in the Library of Congress, with its mandate to preserve, present, and disseminate American folk cultural traditions, has made the Library conscious of its need to expand its collections of publications produced in the United States by organizations representing the nation's many ethnic groups. The Library is therefore calling for the assistance of all persons, organizations, or institutions that can give specific information about such publications.

The Library currently holds a large sampling reflecting the most varied ethnic interests. It does not, however, approach a comprehensive coverage of such materials. The collections are relatively strong in their representation of domestically printed non-English-language newspapers. Many periodicals and a broad assortment of monographic materials dealing with ethnic matters are also to be found, including publications sponsored by church and other organizations having a special ethnic focus, folklore studies, personal memoirs and reminiscences, and genealogical materials.

Many sponsoring groups do not actively publicize their work or do not realize that it would have interest outside their particular special readership. As a result their publications do not come to the Library's notice through copyright, book reviews, citations in the general news media, or any of the established

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The second of a series of articles on **Change at the Library of Congress** by Charles A. Goodrum, director of the Office of Planning and Development, which was promised last week but delayed because of the publication of the Semiannual Report, appears as Appendix I to this issue of the LC *Information Bulletin.*

NETWORK DISCUSSION SET

The National Commission on Libraries and Information Science and the Library of Congress are sponsoring a program to be held in conjunction with the annual conference of the American Library Association in Detroit, Mich., on the initial considerations for the library bibliographic component of the National Library and Information Service Network. The program is scheduled for Saturday, June 18, at 10 a.m. to 12 noon in Room 614, Red Arrow, Veterans Memorial Building.

Members of the LC Network Advisory Group are presenting a panel discussion on various aspects of the library bibliographic component, with Roderick G. Swartz, state librarian, Washington State Library, as moderator. Other speakers and their topics include: (1) Henriette D. Avram, director, LC Network Development Office, on the formation and functions of the Network Advisory Group; (2) H. Paul Schrank, chief librarian, University of Akron, and chairman of the

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board, Ohio College Library Center, on the goals, assumptions, objectives, and functions of the National Library and Information Service Network and its library bibliographic component; (3) Ronald F. Miller, executive director, California Library Authority for Systems and Services, on tasks for the network coordinating agency; (4) David C. Weber, director of libraries, Stanford University, on tasks for the Library of Congress; (5) Eleanor Montague, director of libraries, University of California, Riverside, on tasks for other network organizations; (6) William D. Mathews, assistant director for systems, New England Library and Information Network, on progress in the Network Technical Architecture Group.

The Network Advisory Group has been responsible for the compilation of a major planning document entitled *Toward a National Library and Information Service Network: The Library Bibliographic Component.* The preliminary edition of this paper (88 p.) was issued in March under the title *The Library Bibliographic Component of the National Library and Information Service Network.* A revised version based on initial comments received from the advisory group and others will be available at the program during the ALA conference and subsequently by request from the Library of Congress Cataloging Distribution Service.

The planning document presents the framework for the initial considerations of the library bibliographic component. Because these plans will impact library services and users in the future, the library community is invited to attend the program in Detroit.

HITLER LETTERS AVAILABLE

Four previously restricted autograph letters of Adolf Hitler in the custody of the Manuscript Division are now available in the Manuscript Reading Room. The material is a gift of Dr. B. A. Kogan of Los Angeles, Calif. Two of the letters, dated January 22 and February 5, 1915, were written while Hitler was a corporal in the German army. In the earliest letter, he observed, "Personally, however, I would prefer attacks. Otherwise you fall mentally sick." The second item is a 12-page letter describing military operations and his reactions to the war.

A third letter, dated January 10, 1924, while Hitler was in Landsberg prison, notes that "I shall express my resentment in my apology, which I hope will at least in its first part outlast the trial and myself." A final letter of November 28, 1928, contains Hitler's reasons for refusing to marry or to serve as a godfather.

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channels of bibliographical control.

As a first step towards extending coverage, the Library needs specific information about titles of ethnic publications of every type, ranging from pamphlets to substantial multi-volume collections, from newsletters and local periodicals to journals with a national distribution. For books, pamphlets, and music, the Library wishes to receive such information as author, title, address of publisher or distributor, and indication as to whether the publication is available free-of-charge or whether it must be pur-

chased (with cost, if known). In the case of newspapers, magazines, and other types of periodicals, a sample issue, in addition to the information just cited, would be of great help in deciding whether or not to request a particular title. Not all of the publications reported will necessarily be acquired or retained by the Library for its permanent collections. Many are already included in its holdings. But public response will be invaluable in assisting the Library to determine the full range of ethnic publications, and in sampling, evaluating, and ultimately obtaining the materials needed to make the national collections of ethnic minority publications truly representative.

This request covers publications of all ethnic groups. The Library is particularly concerned about groups that figure less prominently in current events and the popular imagination and whose publications are most likely to be directed exclusively to their own members and escape broader notice. Information about these publications in particular is especially

CIP MAKES IT 100,000

McGraw-Hill's *Dinosaur Days*, by David C. Knight, became the 100,000th title processed with Cataloging in Publication (CIP) data. This event marked a high water point for the CIP Program, which began July 1, 1971 with 27 publishers and a staff of two persons. In less than six years the program has grown in importance and in size until there are presently over 1,250 participating publishers submitting more than 25,000 titles each year.

The event was marked by a reception in the Processing Department Office on May 23, attended by Deputy Librarian William J. Welsh, John F. Dill, director of marketing, Professional and Reference Book Division, McGraw-Hill Book Publishing Co., the staff of the CIP Office, and other Library staff. Mr. Dill, who in addition to his position with McGraw-Hill is co-chairman of the Association of American Publishers' Libraries Committee, expressed on behalf of the AAP, appreciation for the benefits of CIP to the book community. CIP is a model example of how cooperation can aid both librarians and publishers alike.

Members of the CIP staff and guests included (seated, left to right) Izella Bullock, Benita Kiah, Linda Perkins, Linda Houston, Betty Wilson, and Jennie Irvin; (standing, left to right) Vicky Boyer, Ann Lewis, Shirley Scott, Juanita Marbury, Neal Schulman, Gail White, CIP Program Manager Susan Vita, Mr. Dill of McGraw-Hill, Flemmon Wright, Cassandra Hoskins, and Jim Parker.

difficult to obtain. Attention, however, is equally directed toward the full range of the better known or more obviously identifiable minorities, as for example, the Afro-American, Native American, or Hispanic-American communities, and religious or other organizations that have a strong ethnic interest. All persons who can provide the vital information needed to obtain these materials are urged to do so. Responses should be addressed to the Exchange and Gift Division, Gift Section, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C. 20540.

AFC BOARD MEETS

The Board of Trustees of the American Folklife Center held its spring meeting at the Library of Congress on May 23 and 24. The two-day meeting concerned itself with staff reports of ongoing field projects initiated by the Center and several new proposals which will be implemented in the months ahead. The Board also concerned itself with budget, fund raising, and legislative matters. The Board elected David Voight, Washington, D.C., as the new chairman and Raye Virginia Allen, Texas, as vice chairman, effective October 1.

The Board members attended the second of the outdoor folk music concerts sponsored during the summer months by the American Folklife Center. The concert feature John Jackson, blues guitarist and singer.

The private members of the Board attending were Wayland Hand, California, chairman; David Voight, Washington, D.C., vice chairman; Raye Virginia Allen, Texas; David Draper, California; St. John Terrell, New Jersey; K. Ross Toole, Montana; and Don Yoder, Pennsylvania. Gary Everhardt, director, National Park Service, participated along with Elizabeth Hamer Kegan, Assistant Librarian for American and Library Studies. Representatives from the Smithsonian Institution, the National Endowment for the Arts, and the National Endowment for the Humanities also attended.

CALIFORNIA MAP GIVEN TO LC

Mary Howard of Springfield, Va., has presented to the Library of Congress a relief map of California, measuring eight by six feet, made by her father, John Francis Urrutia, Sr. (1898-1975). Mr. Urrutia, a native of Guatemala who was raised on a coffee plantation, came to the United States and enrolled in the 1920s at Stanford University where he studied dentistry. As an avocation, he became interested in making relief models in the 1930s.

During his lifetime, Mr. Urrutia made a number of relief models for various municipalities, for the State of California, and for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. His most famous relief map is the 30-foot model in the Ferry Building in San Francisco.

NEW PATTERNS CONSIDERED FOR *NATIONAL UNION CATALOG*

As the amount of its cataloging in machine-readable form grows and approaches the goal of having all current cataloging in machine-readable form by the end of 1980, the Library of Congress is looking for better ways of displaying and distributing the bibliographic data it now publishes in the *National Union Catalog* and the associated titles which make up the present Library of Congress Catalogs in printed form. To ensure that the best possible products result from this planning and that the greatest number of needs can be met, the Library is seeking the comments and advice of users concerning the presently published and some of the proposed catalogs of bibliographic data.

The time frame for the transition to new patterns of display will depend upon both the speed with which LC MARC encompasses all bibliographic records for every language and form of material, and on the speed of machine-readable conversion of all of the name and subject authority records associated with the bibliographic data in the total MARC base.

A possible new pattern being considered for the display of cataloging data produced or assembled at the Library of Congress is a series of Master Registers which will provide full bibliographic records for all items cataloged, that is, all of the information which now appears on LC printed catalog cards. The Master Registers would be published at a regular frequency, based on the volume of material within their scope. They normally will not cumulate, but will form the permanent and unique repositories of the full bibliographic data published during the year.

Associated with the Master Registers will be a series of cumulative indexes keyed to machine-generated reference numbers assigned to the entries in the registers. Each register and its associated indexes will be distributed simultaneously. Because the cumulative indexes will contain sufficient data under each entry to satisfy many, perhaps most, reference needs, they

FORMER MEMBERS OF CONGRESS HOLD RECEPTION AT LIBRARY
LC to House Congressional Oral History Funded by NEH

Several hundred former and current Members of Congress gathered in the Great Hall of the Library on Thursday evening, May 19, at a reception as part of the Seventh Annual Spring Meeting of Former Members of Congress (FMC) held in Washington, D.C., on May 19-20. Those present included (left photo, left to right) former Congressmen William J. Randall of Missouri, Brooks Hays of Arkansas, and Mrs. Hays; (right photo, left to right) Mrs. William G. Bray and her husband, the former Congressman from Indiana, being greeted by still another former Congressman, Gilbert Gude of Maryland, who is now the director of the Library of Congress Congressional Research Service.

It was announced that FMC has received grants to tape oral histories with former Members to be deposited in the Library of Congress. (The first tape and transcript were presented last spring to Librarian of Congress Daniel J. Boorstin.) The National Endowment for the Humanities has granted $108,000 for the program, and further committed $21,114 on a matching basis. The John Crain Kunkel Foundation has awarded $12,500.

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could more properly be termed Cumulative Brief Entry Catalogs rather than Indexes.

Present thinking suggests the following possible categories for the Master Registers of full bibliographic records:

Register A. Books
Register B. Films and other Materials for Projection
Register C. Music, Books on Music, and Sound Recordings
Register D. Serials
Register E. Maps
Register F. Manuscripts
Register G. Microforms
Register H. Newspapers

Obviously, subsets and combinations of any of these Master Registers are possible. Since a variety of basically similar programs can be used to generate the Master Registers and their associated indexes from the machine-readable data base, the needs of the user ultimately will determine which Master Registers will be published by the Library of Congress.

The Cumulative Brief Entry Catalogs or indexes connected with the registers will vary depending upon the form or type of material included in the registers,

but for purposes of discussion, possible Brief Entry Catalogs associated with a Master Register for books may be used as examples. In this example, the scope of the hypothetical Register A, Books will approximate that of the currently published *National Union Catalog.*

The following Brief Entry Catalogs associated with Register A are possibilities:

Part 1. Name Brief Entry Catalog
Part 2. Title Brief Entry Catalog
Part 3. Subject Brief Entry Catalog
Part 4. Monographic Series Brief Entry Catalog
Part 5. LC Class Number Brief Entry Catalog
Part 6. Dewey Class Number Brief Entry Catalog
Part 7. Register of Locations/LC Card Number Index
Part 8. ISBN/ISSN Index

The data elements for each entry appearing in Parts 1 through 6 can be author, title, imprint, edition statement, pagination, master register number, and, if available, ISBN/ISSN, LC call number, and LC catalog card number. If more information is needed, recourse can be had to the full record in the Master Register.

The Register of Locations/LC Card Number Index can contain LC card number, entry word in parentheses, and Master Register Number followed by symbols of holding libraries. Arrangement can be by LC card number and by Master Register number for non-LC locations. Access to the Register of Locations will be provided by Cumulative Brief Entry Catalogs, Parts 1 through 6. The Register of Locations will also serve as an LC card number index to Library of Congress cataloging because it will connect the LC card number and the Master Register number under which full cataloging is displayed.

The ISBN/ISSN index will contain ISBN/ISSN, entry word in parentheses, and Master Register number. Arrangement will be by ISBN/ISSN.

Characteristics of the Cumulative Brief Entry Catalogs can be as follows:

Arrangement: Numerical or alphabetical with Libsked filing
Medium of distribution: Parts 1 through 4: Book form and microform
Parts 5 through 8: Microform only
Frequency: Part 1. Monthly
Parts 2 through 8: Quarterly
Cumulation: Book form. Annually and Quinquennially
Microform. Continuous cumulation in five-year segments
Pricing: Annual subscriptions with all parts and registers priced separately

Comments on and suggestions for new patterns of displaying the bibliographic data now published in the *National Union Catalog* will be gratefully received and may be addressed to Joseph H. Howard, Director, Processing Department, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C. 20540. Comments should be received before October 15.

COPYRIGHT HEARING ON COMPULSORY LICENSES HELD

Register of Copyrights Barbara Ringer presided at a hearing on compulsory licenses for cable television systems on April 12 at the Copyright Office.

Other members of the panel were Copyright Office General Counsel Jon A. Baumgarten, Assistant General Counsel Richard E. Glasgow, the Register's Special Legal Assistant Lewis I. Flacks, Assistant Register for Registration Waldo H. Moore, and Catherine Armstrong, attorney-adviser for the Copyright Office Examining Division's Music Section. Miss Armstrong substituted for Joan Doherty, program analyst in the Planning and Technical Office of the Register's Office, and head of the group concerned with planning for licensing activities under the new law. Charles Woodard, a consultant advising the Copyright Office on matters related to cable systems, was also present.

The Register indicated at the beginning of the hearing that the record of the proceedings would be kept open until May 13 for receipt of written supplemental statements.

Leading off the procession of witnesses was Jack Valenti, president of the Motion Picture Association of America, accompanied by attorneys Robert Hadl and Gerald Meyer.

In essence, Mr. Valenti asked for creation of a standard, mandatory reporting form for use by all cable systems in reporting and filing the semiannual compulsory license fees and establishment of an industry advisory group to assist in the preparation of

such forms which, he added, should contain data permitting copyright owners to determine whether the broadcast signals carried are local or distant, the type of stations retransmitted (that is, "network," "independent" or "noncommercial education," and such other information as may be necessary to file royalty claims and to assure compliance with the terms of the compulsory license.

Mr. Valenti's remarks were largely corroborated by Bernard Korman, attorney for ASCAP (American Society of Composers, Authors, and Publishers) with whom SESAC (Society of European Stage Authors and Composers) concurred. Mr. Korman added that, while copyright owners were supposed to allow use of their property, the cable systems could not be relied upon to divulge all their financial information.

The next witness that morning was Philip Hochberg, representing the National Hockey League, who suggested that cable systems file financial statements 30 days after the close of six-month periods running from October through March and from April through September.

Mr. Hochberg was followed by Frank Washington, representing the Office of the Commissioner of Baseball, who submitted a statement urging, among other things, that "Section 201.11 . . . should be altered with respect to newly activated systems or those existing systems adding new signals in order to require them to designate whether secondary signals are distant or local and network or independent . . . ."

The first witness of the afternoon was Daniel Aaron, president of Comcast Corp. of Bala Cynwyd, Pa., and incoming chairman of the National Cable Television Association, who recommended that royalty payments correspond to a company's fiscal year. He added that he did not think that cable companies should have to open their books to any and all viewers—that information could be obtained from the Federal Communications Commission and other such places.

R. Clark Wadlow of the Washington law firm of Hogan and Hartson, representing Teleprompter Corp., avowed that, while he was no tax lawyer, even the Internal Revenue Service had to get a subpoena "to open a book." He said his client was not averse to the use of forms for reporting various data, but advocated that such forms be voluntary as "problems can be unforeseen." Mr. Wadlow suggested formation of an advisory panel to devise a form.

The final witness of the day was Abe H. Sonnenschein, manager of AML Products, Microwave Communications Products, Hughes Aircraft Co., who addressed Question 5 posed by the hearing: Is the definition of "cable system" in section 111(f) of the Act adequate for purposes of the recording and accounting provisions?

Mr. Sonnenschein asked the Copyright Office to adopt the following interpretation: "For recording and accounting purposes, cable systems having common ownership and control and serving contiguous communities, or having one headend and serving contiguous communities, shall be treated as a single system . . . ."

STAFF NEWS

RETIREMENT

Elvin E. Thomas, acting head of the Card Distribution Section, retired on May 13 after more than 35 years of Federal service, of which more than 31 years were spent in the Library's Cataloging Distribution Service.

Mr. Thomas was born in Sun, W. Va., and attended the public schools in that area. He began his military service in February 1942 with the Army Air Force and served with the 32nd Fighter Group in Italy for 21 months. He was discharged in October 1945.

In November 1945 Mr. Thomas was appointed to the Library staff as a card drawer and was promoted subsequently to supervisor of the Card Drawing Unit, assistant head of the Inventory Section (renamed Card Distribution Section), and acting head of the Card Distribution Section. He received a quality increase in September 1972 for distinguished performance of duty.

His wife, two sons, relatives, friends, and colleagues honored him at a reception on May 13, at which he was presented a gift and a book of signatures. Mr. Thomas will be greatly missed by his colleagues and others throughout the Library for the spontaneous answers he gave to questions concerning LC cards.

A commuter for the past few years, Mr. Thomas plans to enjoy his new home in Bunker Hill, W. Va., and to spend time tending his garden and trees. An enthusiastic participant in LC softball games and other sports activities, he plans, also, to maintain membership in the Pigskin Club, Inc. of the District of Columbia.

AWARD

Robert W. Hutchison, director, Management Policy Office, was presented a 30-year Federal Service Award pin on May 27 by William J. Welsh, The

Deputy Librarian of Congress.

A native of Newark, N.J., Mr. Hutchison began his Government career at the Army Aberdeen Proving Ground in Maryland, until called to active military service with the U.S. Coast Guard early in 1942. After his war service he attended Princeton University where he received a bachelor's degree in 1947.

Returning in 1949 to the Aberdeen Proving Ground, Mr. Hutchison served as a personnel assistant until 1951 when he was appointed a nationwide manpower representative for the Department of the Army. He advanced in 1955 to become deputy personnel officer at the White Sands Missile Range in New Mexico. In 1959 he accepted a NASA appointment at the inception of the Goddard Space Flight Center as the chief of the organization and personnel division, serving as personnel director until October 1965 when he joined the Library of Congress as director of personnel.

Mr. Welsh and Mr. Hutchison

Mr. Hutchison was named the Federal Civil Servant of the Year in the state of Maryland in 1961 and during his career has received several awards for outstanding achievement. He has served as a consultant to government and private industry. He is a graduate of the advanced officers Command Management School at Ft. Belvoir and has been a chairman and member of U.S. Civil Service Commission government-wide committees.

Currently, Mr. Hutchison is engaged as chief labor negotiator for the Library and is responsible for oversight of the Affirmative Action Office, Classification Review and Appeals Office, Equal Opportunity Office, Labor-Management Relations and Appeals Office, Personnel Security Office, and Women's Program Coordinator.

PERSONNEL CHANGES

William B. Bader has been appointed senior specialist in United States foreign policy for the Congressional Research Service.

Mr. Bader comes to the Library with a broad background in the field of foreign affairs, including service with both the legislative and executive branches of the Federal government. A graduate of Pomona College, he received his master's and doctoral degrees in history from Princeton University. He has also studied at the Universities of Vienna and Munich. During his career, Mr. Bader has served as a Danforth Fellow, Penfield Fellow, Fulbright Scholar, and a Wilson Fellow.

For a brief period in the mid-1950s, he was employed as a reference assistant with the former Legislative Reference Service of the Library. After serving with the U.S. Navy from 1955 to 1958 and completing his doctorate, he became a research associate with the Center of International Studies and a lecturer in the Department of History at Princeton University. He later joined the U.S. Department of State as a foreign service officer in the Office of Regional Political-Military Affairs. Mr. Bader left this position in 1966 to become a senior staff consultant for the United States Senates Committee on Foreign Relations.

During the early 1970s he was a program officer for the Ford Foundation, directing their programs in arms control and international security. In 1975, he served as a task force director on the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence. Since May of 1976, he has been both a fellow at the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars and a senior research associate for Stanford University's Center for Technology Assessment and Resource Policy.

As an expert in U.S. foreign policy, Mr. Bader has several publications to his credit, including *The United States and the Spread of Nuclear Weapons; Austria Between East and West: 1945-1955;* and "The Congress and National Security."

John R. Hébert has been appointed assistant chief of the Latin American, Portuguese, and Spanish Division, effective May 23. He has served as assistant to

the chief of division since December 1974.

A native of Louisiana, Mr. Hébert graduated in 1965 from the University of Southwestern Louisiana. He came to Washington later in the same year to enter graduate school at Georgetown University, and during this period was a research assistant to the dean of the graduate school. He received the M.A. degree in 1967 and the Ph. D degree in 1972 in history. His dissertation centered upon the early 20th century of Argentina.

In 1969, Mr Hébert came to the Geography and Map Division of the Library of Congress as a reference librarian. He was twice promoted in that division, and while there, prepared several publications, including an article on "Ephraim George Squier; Journalist, Scholar and Diplomat," based on the Library's manuscript maps of Central America and Peru, that appeared in the *Quarterly Journal of the Library of Congress.*

He also compiled *Panoramic Maps of Anglo-American Cities; A Checklist,* issued by the Library in 1974. His paper on "Mapping the Road to Santa Fé, 1825-1827," appeared in *Terrae Incognitae; The Annals of the Society for the History of Discoveries,* Vol. VII, 1976. He served as a contributing editor for the Cartography section of nos. 35 and 37 of the *Handbook of Latin American Studies* and will serve in a similar capacity for the Bibliography and General Works section of *Handbook* no. 39. He is currently working on an account of the Library's Vicente Pintado collection of manuscripts and a cartobibliography of maps of the U.S.-Mexican War.

Mr. Hébert is a member of the Conference on Latin American History, the American Historical Association, the Latin American Studies Association, the Society for Spanish and Portuguese Historical Studies, and will serve as secretary of the Inter-American Council of Washington during the coming year. He is a member of the Library's Incentive Awards Committee and of the Gifts and Exchanges Subcommittee of the Seminar on the Acquisition of Latin American Library Materials. He was able to contribute considerable firsthand information to the latter subcommittee following an acquisitions trip he made to Central America in August 1976.

James Parton, Assistant Librarian of Congress for Public Education, resigned on June 14. Mr. Parton, who has directed the exhibit, publications, and information programs of the Library of Congress for the past year, will devote his attention to personal and family business matters for the immediate future.

Founder of the American Heritage Publishing Co., Inc., and former president and chief executive officer of the Encyclopedia Britannica Educational Corp., Mr. Parton brought to the Library broad experience in reporting, editing, publishing, and consulting. Under his aegis steps have been taken to strengthen the Library's publishing program, and the exhibits program has been greatly expanded.

As a token of his affection for the Library of Congress, Mr. Parton made a gift of books from his private library to the rare book collections. Among them are several first editions of Kate Greenaway's books for children, an 1858 edition of *The Minstrel* inscribed as a gift to a friend from Thomas Nast, a rare edition of an early work by James Joyce, a privately printed and autographed book of John Greenleaf Whittier, and an Edinburgh edition of Robert Louis Stevenson's *Memories.*

For the next several months Mr. Parton and his wife will be at their home in Sarasota, Fla.

Walter W. Ristow, chief of the Geography and Map Division, will be on a special assignment for the next 11 months. The Librarian of Congress has asked him to apply his knowledge of the Library's geography and map materials to special research projects in the area of history of American non-official cartography and projects related to Geography and Map Division acquisitions.

John A. Wolter, assistant chief, will be responsible for all routine administrative matters in the Geography and Map Division.

Norman J. Shaffer, assistant chief for bibliographic services of the Photoduplication Service has been named national preservation program officer in the Office of the Assistant Director for Preservation, Administrative Department.

Mr. Shaffer brings to his new position a broad range of unusually successful experience in preservation, technical services, microfilming, and library administration. A member of the Library of Congress Special Recruit Program for outstanding library school graduates in 1966-67, he later served in the Library's Preservation Office, where he established the first Preservation Microfilming Office. He went to the University of Nebraska as assistant director of libraries for public services and later served in the post of associate director for technical services. He returned to the Library of Congress in 1973, to assume his present position in the Photoduplication Service.

A graduate of the University of Nebraska (B.A. in history, 1961), where he was elected to membership in Phi Beta Kappa, Mr. Shaffer received his master's degree in librarianship from the University of Wash-

ington in 1966. In 1961-62 he was a Woodrow Wilson Fellow at Stanford University, both at the Stanford and the Tokyo campuses, where he studied Japanese history. He is a member of the American Library Association, the National Microfilm Association, and the Society of American Archivists.

Mr. Shaffer served as principal investigator for the Preservation Pilot Program conducted for the Library of Congress in 1967-68, a report of which was published in *College and Research Libraries* for January 1969, under the title "Library of Congress Pilot Preservation Project." He was also principal investigator for the Association of Research Libraries Foreign Newspaper Microfilm Committee's evaluation of national requirements for acquisition and microfilming of currently published foreign newspapers.

Mr. Shaffer and his wife, the former Dallas Young, have two children, Erika and Ursula.

Appointments: Thomas Bland, cataloger, GS-7, Cop Cat, 4542; Willie Brown, Jr., clerk, GS-3, Subj Cat, 4613; Edward DeMaso, coordinator of member and committee relations, GS-16, CRS D, NP. Charles Farrell, clerk, GS-3, Cop Serv, 4621; James Green, filer-searcher, GS-4, Loan, 4625; Lawrence Modisett, research analyst, GS-9, FRD, 4399; Juliet Nielsen, preliminary cataloger, GS-5, Desc Cat, 4426; Donna Peacher, filer trainee, GS-3, Cop Serv, 4569; Denise Stultz, accounts maintenance clerk (typing), GS-4, Cop Serv, 4558; James Wahl, filer-searcher, GS-4, Loan, 4625.

Temporary Appointments: Paul Bray, editorial assistant, GS-4, CRS E, 4661; Kirk Coviello, reading room assistant, GS-2, S&R, OP 6-600; Susan Crosby, clerical assistant, GS-4, DMPO, 4664; Donald L. Flanders, Jr., private, SP-7, Bldgs, 4307; John J. Merendino, Jr., mail technician, GS-2, Cop Serv, OP 9-200.

Reappointments: Teresa Blackwelder, technical information specialist, GS-11, CRS C, NP; Douglas Guinn, deck attendant, GS-3, S&R, OP 4-600; Carl Minkus, language specialist, GS-9, FRD, 4398.

Temporary Promotion: Thomas Sefferly, to peripheral equipment operator, GS-6, DBPH, 4616 & 4492.

Promotions: Myrtis Berkley, Ord, to secretary to the head and assistant head, GT-7, Proc, 4583; Nancy Browning, P&S, to administrative secretary/assistant, GS-6, Audit, 4622; Merleen Canty, Cop Ref, to copyright technician, GS-6, Cop Exam, 4432; William Hinkley, Ser Rec, to head, MARC Name Authority Verification Unit, GS-11, MARC Ed, 4439; Marigay Holloway, to reviewer-reviser, GS-11, Cop Cat, 4559; Victor Holmes, to mail technician, GS-5, Cop Serv, 4553; Jill Horak, to clerk-typist, GS-5, Cop Serv, 4631; Gary Jensen, to team leader, Congressional Reading Room, GS-12, CRS C, 4518; Ronald King, to law shelflisting assistant, GS-5, Subj Cat, 4561; Dolores Martin, to editor, HLAS, GS-13, LAPS, 4681; Stephanie Mason, S&R, to clerk, GS-3, CRS D, 4540; Mary Renninger, to assistant for network support, GS-13, DBPH, 4434; Timothy Schurtter, Cop Serv, to copyright technician, GS-6, Cop Exam, 4432; Lee Stinner, Ser, to paralegal assistant, GS-9, Cop Reg, 4535; Alice Tennies, to senior systems analyst, GS-14, ISO, 4609; David Thompson, S&R, to library aid, GS-3, Cop Serv, OP 8-200; Jerry Tuben, Cat Publ, to library technician, GS-5, Cop Serv, 4553.

Transfers: Nancy Brown, Cat Publ, to preliminary cataloger, GS-5, Desc Cat, 4426; Paul Kelly, CRS L, to subject cataloger, GS-9, Subj Cat, 4532; Eric Washington, Cop Serv, to clerk, GS-4, CRS C, 4462.

Resignations: Harold Dawkins, Bldgs; Elizabeth Moehle, NUCPP; Robert Nagle, Cat Mgmt; Lee Schultz, DMPO.

STAFF ACTIVITIES

Elemer Bako, Finno-Ugrian area specialist in the Slavic and Central European Division, Department of Research, participated with staff members of the Hungarian Section of the Voice of America in a panel discussion on the holdings and services of the Library of Congress in the area of Finno-Ugrian languages. The conversation was taped for delayed broadcast to Hungary.

Ranjan Borra, senior reference librarian, Southern Asia Section, Orientalia Division, presented a paper entitled "The Response of Tagore in America" at a session on modern literature of the Bengal Studies Conference held in Chicago May 6-8. The Bengal Studies Conference is under the general sponsorhsip of the Association for Asian Studies. During the past 13 years, it has met annually at different universities having South Asian programs.

Frank Kurt Cylke, chief, Division for the Blind and Physically Handicapped, addressed meetings of the May 17-19 Southern Conference of Librarians for the Blind and Physically Handicapped in Jackson, Miss., and the May 19-20 Midlands Conference of Librarians for the Blind and Physically Handicapped in Des Moines, Iowa.

Other DBPH staff attending the Southern Conference meeting were **Karen Renninger**, head, Network Services Section; **John J. Kozar**, assistant for library resources; and **Allen Deschere**, automated systems coordinator. The Midlands Conference meeting was also attended by Mr. Deschere and by **Ellen Zabel Hahn**, assistant chief for network development, and **Robert Kost**, head, Production Section. DBPH staff served as resources persons to address the questions and concerns of the representatives of the more than 60 agencies represented at both meetings.

Alan Fern, director of the Research Department is the author of an article on John Plumbe and the "Plumbeotype" in *Philadelphia Printmaking–American Prints Before 1860* (West Chester, Pa., The Tinicum Press), edited by Robert F. Looney. This volume publishes the papers delivered at a conference held in Philadelphia in April 1973 at The Free Library, The Historical Society, The Library Company, and The Museum of Art. At this conference, the Library of Congress' newly acquired John Plumbe daguerreotypes were shown publicly for the first time; an expanded and revised version of the essay in this volume was prepared by Alan Fern and Milton Kaplan for the *Library of Congress Quarterly Journal*, January 1974.

Elizabeth Hamer Kegan, Assistant Librarian for American and Library Studies, is the recipient of the Freedom Bell award from the American Revolution Bicentennial Administration. The Freedom Bell is awarded by the Administration to those persons who contributed most significantly to the commemoration of the American Revolution Bicentennial. Mrs. Kegan was cited for her "outstanding contribution to the success of the Nation's 200th anniversary" through her sponsorship of the Library of Congress series of symposia on the American Revolution which "provided an intellectual component of inestimable value."

Elena G. Millie, curator of the poster collection in the Prints and Photographs Division was invited to serve as poster consultant to the University of Kentucky, M. I. King Library and Art Museum poster collection on May 3-5.

Marlene Morrisey, special assistant to Register of Copyrights Barbara Ringer, represented the Register at the annual meeting of the Copyright Society of the United States on May 24-26 at Kiamesha Lake, N.Y. She participated in a workshop on implementation planning for the Copyright Act of 1976, which becomes effective on January 1, 1978.

On May 25, the Society held its seventh annual Donald C. Brace Memorial Lecture with Irwin Karp of the Authors League of America speaking on the subject "From Roth to Rohauer: Twenty Years of Amicus Briefs." Following the dinner meeting on May 25, the Society presented **Abraham L. Kaminstein**, former Register of Copyrights and currently honorary consultant in domestic and internationl copyright affairs, Library of Congress, with a plaque in recognition of his "inspiration, wisdom, time, and unstinting efforts before, after, and during his service as Register of Copyrights which contributed to the adoption of the 1976 revision of the U.S. copyright law." In his response, Mr. Kaminstein reviewed the history of the new legislation, paid tribute to those who had participated in the long effort, and stressed the significant contributions of the present Register of Copyrights, Barbara Ringer.

Paul G. Sifton, specialist in early American history, Manuscript Division, is the author of an article entitled "The Provenance of The Thomas Jefferson Papers" in the January issue of *The American Archivist*. It is a revised version of the essay which forms part of the introduction to the *Index to the Thomas Jefferson Papers* (Washington, Library of Congress, 1976). He presented another version of the paper to the Society of American Archivists' panel on Revolutionary Age Materials and Modern Methods last October 1.

Remarks by **William Welsh**, The Deputy Librarian of Congress, at the 1976 Conference on Resources Sharing in Libraries in Pittsburgh, Pa., are printed in *Library Resource Sharing*, (Marcel Dekker, N.Y.) a record of the proceedings of the conference edited by Allen Kent and Thomas J. Galvin.

Donald A. Wise, Geography and Map Division, has compiled an "Addendum to Treasure Map List," which appeared in the March issue of the Western Association of Map Libraries *Information Bulletin*, Vol. 8, No. 2. This compilation supplements *A Descriptive List of Treasure Maps and Charts in the Library of Congress*, published in 1973.

Bohdan Yasinksy, assistant preservation microfilming officer, presented a paper on the "Preservation of the Ukrainian National Legacy" at the Second Annual Meeting of the Permanent Conference in Ukrainian Studies at Harvard University on May 28-30.

ACTIVITIES OF FORMER STAFF MEMBERS

Roy P. Basler, former chief of the Manuscript Division and presently honorary consultant in American studies, was awarded an honorary Doctor of Literature degree on May 22 by his alma mater, Central Methodist College in Fayette, Mo. The George M. Smiley Library of Central Methodist College also produced a special bookmark listing Mr. Basler's publications as a special recognition of his library service.

Former Librarian of Congress **Archibald MacLeish** received the Cosmos Club Award on May 17 at the Cosmos Club in Washington, D.C. Mr. MacLeish's "innumerable learned activities" were cited in the award, which has been given since 1963. Previous recipients include Sir Kenneth Clark and Samuel Eliot Morison.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Carol C. Dawson and **James S. Davis** were married on Sunday, May 29, in Lexington, Va. Mrs. Davis is an entry editor in the NSDP Section of the Serial Record Division, and Mr. Davis is employed at the Sigma Data Computing Corp. in Gaithersburg, Md. Mr. and Mrs. Davis reside in Alexandria, Va.

Patricia Dranchak and **John Rodak, Jr.** were married on May 7 at St. Nicholas Russian Orthodox Church in Washington, D.C. Mrs. Rodak is a staff member in the Union Catalog Reference Unit, General Reference and Bibliography, and Mr. Rodak is a public health officer at the U.S. Department of Health, Education, and Welfare. The couple resides in Rockville, Md.

The **Training Office** has announced the following in-house courses, prepared exclusively for LC employees. Attendance must be job-related, and nominations must be submitted by the individual's supervisor using Optional Form 170, *Request, Authorization, Agreement and Certification of Training.* Supervisors should note nomination deadlines. Nominations for scheduled courses will not be accepted after the specified nomination deadline, except when the course is undersubscribed. Further information may be obtained by calling the Training Office on ext. 6348 or by referring to the annual *Catalog of Course Offerings, July 1976 through September 1977.*

Course Title	*Dates*	*Nomination Deadline*
Effective Letter-writing	7/18-8/3	7/1
Refresher English Grammar	8/8-9/12	7/22

The Architect of the Capitol has announced the following **evening band concerts** on the West Terrace of the Capitol at 8 p.m.

United States Navy Band	*Monday Evenings* June 20, 27 July 4, 11, 18, 25 Aug. 1, 8, 15, 22, 29
United States Air Force Band	*Tuesday Evenings* June 21, 28 July 5, 12, 19, 26 Aug. 2, 9, 16, 23, 30
United States Marine Band	*Wednesday Evenings* June 22, 29 July 6, 13, 20, 27 Aug. 3, 10, 17, 24, 31
United States Army Band	*Friday Evenings* June 17, 24 July 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 Aug. 5, 12, 19, 26

LIBRARY OF CONGRESS PUBLICATIONS

Accessions List: Brazil. ISSN 0095-795X. Vol. 3, No. 3. March 1977. Continuing subscriptions free to libraries upon request to the Field Director, Library of Congress Office, American Consulate General, APO New York 09676.

Accessions List: India. ISSN 0041-7734. Vol. 16, No. 6. June 1977. Continuing subscriptions free to libraries upon request to the Field Director, Library of Congress Office, American Embassy, New Delhi, India.

Accessions List: India. ISSN 0145-7608. Quinquennial Serials Cumulation 1976, Vol. I. Continuing subscriptions free to libraries upon request to the Field Director, Library of Congress Office, American Embassy, New Delhi, India.

Accessions List: Southeast Asia ISSN 0096-2341. Vol. 3, No. 4. April 1977. Continuing subscriptions free to libraries upon request to the Field Director, Library of Congress Office, American Consulate General, Karachi, Pakistan.

Czechs and Slovaks in the United States. An Exhibition at the Library of Congress, June-August 1976. (18 p.) This catalog contains an introduction and annotated entries for some 50 books, periodicals, maps, manuscripts, music scores, posters, phonograph records, and photographs which appeared in the exhibit prepared by the Slavic and Central European Division of the Library of Congress. The catalog traces 350 years of Czech and Slovak immigration and its contributions to the development of the United States in sections dealing with the early immigrants, the great migration, science and letters, public and economic life, and the arts. Among the subjects discussed briefly are the Sokol organizations, early Czech and Slovak newspapers, and the Czechoslovak Society of Arts and Sciences in America. Copies of the catalog are available free of charge from the Library of Congress, Central Services Division, Washington, D.C. 20540.

LC Additions and Changes. ISSN 0041-7912. List 185. January-March 1977 (111 p.) For sale by the Cataloging Distribution Service, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C. 20541, for $30 a year, $7.50 a single issue.

LC Science Tracer Bullet: Allergy and Asthma. ISSN 0090-5232. (TB 77-4) March 1977. (10 p.) Compiled by Constance Carter, this reference aid "is intended for those who wish to pursue the study of allergic diseases through a review of the literature available in the collections of the Library of Congress. Not meant to be a comprehensive bibliography, the guide is designed—as the name of the series implies—to put the reader 'on target'." A brief tutorial essay serves as an introduction to the guide proper. Copies are available free on request from the Reference Section, Science and Technology Division, Library of Congress.

LC Science Tracer Bullet: Industrial Safety and Health. ISSN 0090-5232. (TB 77-1) January 1977. (13 p.) Compiled by Alexander Hromockyj, this reference aid provides a guide for systematically searching the literature on "the protection of the worker from any hazards that may arise from his occupational environment" which, according to a one-page introduction to the guide, has become "of major concern to both management and labor." Copies are available free on request from the Reference Section, Science and Technology Division.

Library of Congress Catalogs, Chinese Cooperative Catalog. ISSN 0095-1072. March 1977. (v, 251 p.) For sale by the Cataloging Distribution Service for the year's subscription which consists of 12 monthly issues and an annual cumulation at $350.

MAPS: a MARC format, 2d ed. 1976. Addendum No. 1. May 1977. (7 p.) This addendum specifies, for the most part, the addition of fields to the maps format that have already been defined in various of the other formats. Available upon request from the Subscriber Accounts Unit, Cataloging Distribution Service.

Monographic Series. ISSN 0093-0571. January-March 1977. Vol. 1 A-K (vi, 528 p.) Vol. 2: L-Z (507 p.) For sale by the Cataloging Distribution Service at a cost of $150 for three quarterly issues and an annual cumulation.

NRC Switchboard: Selected Information Resources on Scholarships, Fellowships, Grants and Loans (SL 77-1) April 1977. (17 p.) Compiled by John Henry Hass of the National Referral Center, this is a listing of 41 knowledgeable organizations that are willing to answer questions or provide information on how one goes about obtaining scholarships, fellowships, grants, and loans. While many of the organizations listed merely provide guidance, some are actual granting agencies. The entries are arranged under three headings: General, Education and Training, and Research and Development. Each entry gives the name, address, and telephone number of an organization and a brief description of its publications, information capabilities, and services. Free on request from the National Referral Center, Library of Congress, Science and Technology Division.

New Serials Titles: A Union List of Serials Commencing Publication After December 31, 1949. ISSN 0028-6680. May 1977. (iv, 42 p.) For sale by the Cataloging Distribution Service at $190 for the year's subscription which consists of eight monthly and four quarterly issues, and an annual volume which cumulates one to five years.

New Serial Titles—Classed Subject Arrangement. ISSN 0028-6699. May 1977. (iv, 42 p.) Prepared under the sponsorship of the Joint Committee on the Union List of Serials and published monthly by the Library of Congress. For sale by the Cataloging Distribution Service for $40 a year.

Revised List of Languages and Language Codes. rev. ed. May 1977. (24 p.) A list of alphabetic codes used to represent languages in MARC records. This revision incorporates into one list all of the separately issued changes made since February 1973. Available upon request from the Subscriber Accounts Unit, Cataloging Distribution Service.

Serials: a MARC format, 2d ed. 1974. Addendum No. 10. Revised May 1977. (9 p.) This edition describes several changes including some related to various title fields. Available upon request from the Subscriber Accounts Unit, Cataloging Distribution Service.

Subject Catalog. ISSN 0096-8803. 1975 (1976). Vol. 15, Russian-Social Sci (919 p.) Vol. 16, Social See-Taxidea (906 p.) Vol. 17, Taxidermy-Urawa (921 p.) Vol. 18, Urban-Zymosan (963 p.) For sale by the Cataloging Distribution Service for $850.

Library of Congress Regulations: No. 2017-3 (April 28) concerned the Library's policies regarding its Suggestion and Incentive Awards Program; No. 315 (May 13) revised pages 2 and 3 to list the current members of an *ad hoc* Evaluations Committee, to delegate responsibility for approving gifts and/or deposits evaluated up to $10,000 to the Assistant Director (Acquisitions and Overseas Operations), Processing Department, and to provide for any item over that amount to be approved by the Assistant Librarian of Congress for Ameri-

can and Library Studies; No. 319 (May 13) referred to current organizational titles, the title of the Assistant Librarian of Congress for American and Library Studies, and raised the level of approval for recommendations for purchasing materials by the appropriate officers of the Library; No. 512 (May 25) was cancelled.

Special Announcements: No. 829 (May 2) stated the current eligibility requirements for the Beginning Typing and Shorthand courses; No. 830 (May 3) invited Library staff members to participate in the Congressional Carpool Program, No. 831 (May 3) extended the terms of members of the Women's Program Advisory Committee; No. 832 (May 5) gave the Memorial Day holiday schedule; No. 833 (May 6) announced the 1977 Federal Savings Bond Campaign; No. 834 (May 6) established the James Madison Memorial Building Move Coordinating Committee; No. 835 (May 6) notified the staff of the Bloodmobile visit to the Library on May 25; No. 836 (May 12) concerned assignment of street parking for Library staff carpools; No. 837 (May 13) invited the staff to attend the second Engelhard lecture, "The Early Illustrated Book"; No. 838 (May 19) announced the establishment of a Research Guidance Service in order to expand and improve services to the Library's users; No. 839 (May 25) concerned air-conditioning in the Library of Congress and Thomas Jefferson Buildings; No. 840 (May 27) called attention to the omnibus being sent to the Library by the Office of Marketing of the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority to provide information on Metrobus and Metrorail service on June 7, 10, and 16.

Press Releases: No. 77-48 (May 10) Sub-Saharan Africa Subject of New Library of Congress Bibliography Series; No. 77-49 (May 12) Library of Congress Services to the Blind and Physically Handicapped Streamlined by New Regional Centers; No. 77-50 (May 12) Philip Hofer to Deliver Second Englehard Lecture on the Book; No. 77-51 (May 16) Free Outdoor Folk Concert Series Offered at Library of Congress; No. 77-52 (May 20) Grant Allows Organization Work on Ex-Slave Narrative at Library of Congress; No. 77-53 (May 23) Library of Congress Announces New Reader Advisory Service; No. 77-54 (May 23) Network Advisory Committee is Established at Library of Congress; No. 77-55 (May 24) Library of Congress Acquires Unique Lindberg Manuscript. No. 77-56 (May 24) Henry B. Paris Named to Library of Congress Post; No. 77-57 (May 25) Detroit Meeting to Consider Library Bibliographic Component of National Library and Information Services Network; No. 77-58 (May 31) Southern Mountain Boys Bring Bluegrass to Library of Congress; No. 77-59 (June 3) Library of Congress Will Present New Play about Maxim Gorky; No. 77-60 (June 6) Library of Congress Orders Advanced Card Printing System; No. 77-61 (June 10) James Parton, Assistant Librarian for Public Education, to Leave Library of Congress and Return to Private Life; No. 77-62 (June 8) Ethnic Publications Sought by Library of Congress.

NEWS IN THE LIBRARY WORLD

Geographers Association Convenes

The 73rd Annual Meeting of the Association of American Geographers, held in Salt Lake City, Utah, April 24-27, drew the largest attendance of any of the Association's meetings, with some 2,200 registrants. Almost half of those in attendance, more than 1,000 members, contributed to the professional paper sessions, workshops, poster sessions, interest group meetings, and plenary sessions. Fifteen or more sessions were scheduled concurrently in the morning, afternoon, and evening. Sessions were on such varied topics as Climate and Climatic Fluctuations of the Western United States, Sports and Leisure, Fossil Fuels: Management and Policy Problems, Geography of Religions, The Colorado: River of Controversy, Ethnicity and the American City, Are There Basic Concepts in Geography, Geography of Mormon Culture, Applied Remote Sensing, and Third World Development Issues. There were also sessions on Medical Geography, The Place of Experiential Learning in Geography, Cartographic Education, Electoral Geography, Geography of China, Colonizing in Outer Space, and The Geography of Crime.

Field trip groups visited Dinosaur National Monument, traversed the area from Las Vegas to Salt Lake City, studied environmental hazards and development of the Wasatch Front, bussed through the Utah landscape, visited Kennecott Copper Co.'s Bingham Mine, and examined the Great Salt Lake and its natural resources.

The opening Plenary Session, on Sunday evening, April 24, was held in the Mormon Tabernacle on Temple Square. There the AAG members were welcomed by Governor Scott M. Matheson, listened to vignettes of Mormon history related by Leonard J. Arrington, historian of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, and enjoyed a brief recital by organist Roy M. Darley, who demonstrated the versatility and power of the famous tabernacle organ.

At the annual business meeting on April 26, the following new officers and council members were announced: President, Melvin G. Marcus, Arizona State University; Vice President, Brian J. L. Berry, Howard University; Treasurer, Thomas J. Wilbanks, University of Oklahoma, and newly elected members of the Council, James Anderson, U.S. Geological

Survey, and Richard E. Lonsdale, University of Nebraska, Lincoln.

Past President Marvin W. Mikesell, University of Chicago, delivered an address entitled "Tradition and Innovation in Cultural Geography."

Honors were awarded to H. Clifford Darby, Cambridge University, Peirce F. Lewis, Pennsylvania State University, Harley J. Walker, Louisiana State University, and John B. Leighly, emeritus professor, University of California, Berkeley. [*Walter W. Ristow*]

Kansas Library Association Meets

On the theme, "The Need to Know," members of the Kansas Library Association launched a full program of inquiry at their annual conference on May 11-13 in Topeka with a sharp focus on state networking activities. A large workshop program feature live terminals demonstrating OCLC on-line cataloging, New York Times data base searching and other retrieval services. Power-driven microfilm readers displayed the new Kansas State Union Catalog on Computer-Output Microfilm (COM) produced from Kansas libraries' machine-readable records. New state legislation providing a state-wide depository system and mandating full bibliographic control of state documents was described by Ron Haselhuhn of the School of Library Science, Emporia Kansas State College. Full cataloging of Kansas State documents has begun on the OCLC system. An annotated and indexed computerized catalog of state documents will begin to appear showing full bibliographic detail *and* location from which document may be secured (issuing agency or depository).

The Library Development Division of the Kansas State Library (Topeka KS 66603) has just issued a publication, *Kansas Library Services Network,* which describes the state documents program, the Kansas information circuit [I.L.L.] computer-based reference and information services, automated technical services system, Kansas' union (COM) catalog, human resources development, and consulting services to Kansas libraries.

Gordon Williams, director of the Center for Research Libraries, spoke to the college and university librarians on "The Library's Role in Providing Access to Information," including a description of the proposed national periodicals lending library. The resources and technical services librarians asked David G. Remington, Library of Congress, and Gwen Miles, Bibliographical Center for Research (BCR), to discuss closing and automating catalogs from LC's and BCR's perspectives. BCR, located in Denver, Colo., is a regional broker for such on-line cataloging systems as BALLOTS (Stanford University) and OCLC (Ohio College Library Center).

Mr. Remington also spoke to a colloquium of the graduate students at the school of Library Science, Emporia Kansas State College, on the topic "Automating Library of Congress Catalogs and the Cataloging Distribution Service: The Impact on Services to Libraries."

Ellen Zabel Hahn, Library of Congress Division for the Blind and Physically Handicapped, spoke to The Library Trustees and Friends Section about "The Public Libraries' Responsibility to the Blind and Physically Handicapped." [*David G. Remington*]

COMING EVENTS

The Federally Employed Women's **Eighth National Training Program** will take place this year on July 13-16 at the Sheraton Park Hotel in Washington, D.C. The full program schedule is available from FEW/NTP, National Press Building, Washington, D.C. 20045, Tel. (202) 638-4404.

The **National Bureau of Standards** (NBS) has issued a call for papers for a symposium on computer networks to be held at NBS in Gaithersburg, Md., on December 15. Submitted papers should be of a tutorial nature, describing practical results with computer networks and networking systems or presenting new research results. Three copies of 1,000-word abstracts should be submitted to Ronald L. Larsen, NASA Goddard Space Flight Center, Code 570.1, Greenbelt, Md. 20771, no later than July 15.

Correction: On p. 356 of the May 27 LC *Information Bulletin,* Herschel V. Anderson, the state librarian of South Dakota, was incorrectly identified as Joseph J. Anderson.

APPENDIX I

CHANGE AT THE LIBRARY OF CONGRESS

Charles A. Goodrum
Director, Office of Planning and Development

On June 3, I started a short report on the work of the Planning Office noting that we were trying to accomplish four things: the implementation of the Task Force recommendations, the design of new programs and administrative units at the specific direction of the three senior Library officers, the resolution of some of the long-time, multi-part problems of the Library, and the analysis of current Library statistics to see if we can identify new and significant trends among our user-audiences, our products, the collections, et cetera.

Ignoring the fourth activity for the moment (trend analysis), I would like to explain *how* we are trying to do the innovation and implementation involved in the first three.

And let me interrupt myself at once to note something about change and innovation at the Library in general, at this specific time. I have been writing about LC and its history for 25 years now, and I can say with considerable conviction *not for nearly a century* have we had such an opportunity for creating new uses for the institution, trying new services, correcting old errors and imprecisions. Note the astonishing vector of forces which have crossed here at the same time—all at the point onto which you and I have stumbled.

(1) We have a new Librarian who is eager to enlarge the role of the institution. A nationally recognized scholar himself, he knows how libraries and research institutions are used and he appreciates the skills of highly trained people who are necessary to make them work. He senses the historical moment of another surge in enhancing the Library's support to Congress and widening the Library's place on the national scene. In only the first two years of Putnam and 18 months of MacLeish has a Librarian pressed the need for innovation and change so firmly.

(2) At this precise moment, we have inherited a second in command, Bill Welsh, who brings 30 years of experience within the Library and a well-known, accumulated fury against administrative clumsiness, out-dated, over-detailed rules and procedures, and general bureaucratic nonsense which he has resisted for years in the Processing Department. He also brings a much-respected reputation for sensitivity to individuals, and a demonstrated belief in the use of greater staff participation throughout the Library's programs.

(3) Look at the people in the Front Office of your own department—look at your division chiefs. At no time in the past 50 years have there been so many new incumbents in the managerial positions throughout the Library. At every level from Section Heads to Mahogany Row we have people recently arrived in their posts. We have experienced administrators suddenly responsible for quite new programs, often radically different from their past assignments. This represents an astonishing opportunity to try new things and test new goals and procedures without the knee-jerk reaction of long-time bureaucrats having to justify past decisions and defend traditional turf.

(4) The coming shift to the Madison Building will move—literally—*every* staff member on the Library's payroll. With the possible exception of a few elevator operators and special police, I can identify no one who will be working at the same location 36 months from now that he or she is today. Likewise, in 36 months we will have moved tens of millions of pieces of research material. The possibilities for re-aligning our interdivisional relationships, smoothing out workflows, improving access to high-use materials and displacement of low, are absolutely unique—a once in a century chance to do it right.

(5) Finally, the collections of the Library as a research tool are on the threshold of dramatic change in the way they are retrieved, controlled, and analyzed: as of 1980, the card catalog, traditional index to the Library for 80 years, will be frozen and thereafter all access and control of new acquisitions will be by computer. But "access and control" will be all-pervasive—charge records, use statistics, multiple retrieval terms—even the books themselves will carry bar codes for automated scanning (the latter, in fact, within a matter of months). The point again: our approaches to our research tools are new, unprecedented, wide-open. How we shape them suddenly is back in our hands to use them as *we* see fit, not simply "how it's always been."

Obviously the Planning Office has only a splinter involvement in all this coming change. The over-

whelming activity will come at the section and division level. What is vastly important here is for each of us—every member of the staff—to look around us and ask: We've got the best opportunity we've had in a hundred years to *do it right*—what can we do in my unit, in the next 12 months, to bring it off? What can we correct now while we have the chance? If we blow this one, we've got no one to blame but ourselves. I plead with you to think about it.

To return to the Planning Office's part in this innovation: We, too, are acutely sensitive to the need for speed. This is the worst possible time for endless committee meetings searching for gray consensus. To avoid this, we invented a written device which we call "Reconnaissances." Each "Recon" has six parts. When the Planning Office is ready to explore the potential for a new service or develop a new administrative unit, the topic is assigned to a principal planning assistant. The assistant then discusses the idea broadly with everyone he or she thinks may have some ideas on the matter, researches both the Library files of memos, Task Force reports, and Task Force letters, and searches the printed literature when it seems appropriate. From all these sources, the planning assistant distills out what he or she believes to be the best possible way of making the suggestion real.

They then write a Reconnaissance. Part I states the recommended action; *what* is recommended. Part II justifies it; explains *why* it is desirable. Part III states the amount of resources which will be required to do it properly in terms of staff, space, and money to run it (beyond personnel costs) in the future; *how much* the idea will cost. Part IV enumerates the LC administrative units which will be affected if the innovation were to come to pass; *who* will be impacted. Part V describes the steps needed to bring it off; *how* to do it. And Part VI is worst case planning, what damage would be done if "everything went wrong."

Once the Recon is completed, it is reviewed by all five members of the Planning Office, changes made, and when approved by myself goes forward to the Messrs. Boorstin, Welsh, and Curran. They decide yes or no; now or later. If they say, "go ahead and explore it," we go back to the impacted departments and divisions and say, "All right, it's time to take this seriously, how do you want it changed to make it work in the best possible way?"

From this comes the re-writes, the refinements, and the caveats which shape the suggestion toward the best possible statement. The Cataloging Committee Recon, for example, was revised four times before all parties could agree, but having a hard-edged recommendation at the outset provides a target for reaction and does seem to hasten resolution.

Once the Reconnaissance has general endorsement, it goes back to the three Librarians and they decide *when* it should go forward and *who* should be responsible for its implementation.

To date the following Recons have been developed.

Reconnaissance	*Present Status of Recommendation*
1. Center for the Book	Approved and proceeding
2. LC as a Center for Advanced Research and Scholarship	Approved and proceeding
3. Reader Advisory Service	Approved and proceeding
4. A Cataloging Committee	Approved and proceeding
5. Compilation of Statistics on LC Services to Congress	Approved and proceeding
6. An Academic Liaison Office	Approved, implementation deferred
7. A Statement of Mission and Purpose	Awaiting approval
8. Use of the General Collections	Approved and proceeding
9. Interlibrary loans in LC	Approved and proceeding
10. A Library Liaison Office	Approved, implementation deferred
11. An Attractive, Coherent Sign System	Approved and proceeding
12. Special Events Officer	Awaiting approval
13. Visitors and Public Tours Center	Awaiting approval
14. Book Storage	In process
15. Ticket Distribution for Concerts	Awaiting approval
16. An Inventory of LC Book and Periodical Collections	In process
17. A Collection Development and Bibliography Office	In process
18. Serials Claiming	In process
19. Administrative Location of the American Television and Radio Archives	Awaiting approval
20. A Serials Committee	Awaiting approval
21. A Research Office	In process
22. Training of Descriptive Catalogers	In process

Reconnaissance	*Present Status of Recommendation*
23. Restructuring the Public Services and Administrative Support Units of the Library	In process
24. Boards of Advisors	In process
25. Performing Arts in the Library of Congress	In process
26. Staffing the Information and Reference Services of the Library	In process

I am trying to keep these reports to 1,500 words-or-so, so I will stop at this point and pick up the final aspects of the Recon approach (how we decide *what* should be explored and how the *communications* feedback in developing the recommendations is supposed to work) in another issue.

APPENDIX II

ISAD/RTSD INSTITUTE ON THE CATALOG
New York City, April 22-23, 1977

by Richard J. Ricard, Jr.
Descriptive Cataloging Division

"The Catalog in the Age of Technological Change" was the topic of a two-day institute held April 22-23 in New York City, at which nearly 350 librarians heard discussion of current issues in cataloging and prospects for the future of the Library catalog and of cataloging itself. The institute, which was repeated May 19-20 in Los Angeles, Calif., was jointly sponsored by the Information Science and Automation and the Resources and Technical Services Divisions of the American Library Association.

The institute was opened with a paper by Michael Gorman of the British Library, the joint editor of the forthcoming second edition of the *Anglo-American Cataloging Rules*. Mr. Gorman described the vast potential that he sees in on-line computerized catalogs but warned that it will be necessary to "cultivate a more positive attitude" toward the new technology if this potential is to be realized. Computers need not degrade standards of cataloging or of professionalism, he said; instead, they can minimize repetitive drudgery and create the basis for a catalog that is far more efficient and flexible in meeting user needs. Among the advantages of such an on-line catalog are direct accessibility of catalog records through many kinds of approaches not possible in traditional card catalogs and the possibilities it offers to manipulate standard bibliographic entries to meet local or specialized needs. A library might, for example, opt to suppress elements of the standard record in order to produce a short record suitable to its needs, or it might choose among alternatives built into the system in constructing author headings. Thus, headings for Russian authors could be displayed in either an Anglicized or a standard romanized form; headings for corporate bodies could be stored in multiple languages and displayed in whichever best suited local needs. With such flexibility, major obstacles to increased cooperative efforts in cataloging might be overcome. Turning this potential into reality, however, will require radical re-thinking of cataloging practice, Mr. Gorman concluded. "Automating what you are already doing is a fatal mistake. What you got to do is to think it all out again."

Seymour Lubetzky, professor emeritus of the University of California at Los Angeles, and a major figure in the development of modern cataloging theory, took a less optismistic view of some of the recent developments in cataloging, particularly the adoption of International Standard Bibliographic Description (ISBD). He urged that changes in cataloging practice be judged against proven traditional values—integrity of catalog structure and simplicity and clarity of catalog records. ISBD, he argued, has cluttered catalog entries with "redundancies and esoteric symbols" that detract from intelligibility. Although it may facilitate the conversion of bibliographic records to machine-readable form, it has done so at the price of "confusing the reader with intermediate asides to the computer" in the form of

special punctuation. New technological developments can be of great value, Mr. Lubetzky noted, but not if they mean abandoning sound cataloging principles.

A major event in cataloging will be the publication, in 1978, of the second edition of the *Anglo-American Cataloging Rules*. The evolution of this revised edition and some of the major changes it will incorporate were discussed by John Byrum, chairman of ALA's Catalog Code Revision Committee and chief of the Descriptive Cataloging Division of the Library of Congress. The revision program was motivated, he explained, by several factors: a desire to incorporate ISBD into the rules, a desire to reconcile discrepancies between the North American and British versions of the text, the need to incorporate numerous rule revisions already made, and an agreement that further rule changes were desirable. Since 1974, when the Joint Steering Committee was established to oversee the revision process, many organizations and individuals have participated in the work, so that the new edition, Mr. Byrum declared, "is not the result of ivory-tower theorizing." The organization of the new edition will be much-changed from that of the first edition, and there will be some major changes in rule provisions (the concept of corporate authorship, for example, will be considerably narrowed, and the use of form subheadings such as "Laws, statutes, etc." will be abandoned). As a result of these changes, Mr. Byrum predicted, the new edition "will be easier to apply, will result in greater consistency, and is vastly better-organized than its predecessor." In response to a question afterward, he contended that the extensive revisions made in the second edition were well within the mandate of the Joint Steering Committee, for the 1974 agreement on code revision specifically provided for consideration of rule changes. He added that, although these revisions may require some existing card catalogs to close, such closings should have occurred in 1967, when the first edition of AACR was adopted. The bending of cataloging principles to accommodate the economics of existing catalogs was, he observed, a major weakness of the original AACR.

"The AACR 2d Edition–What Next?" was the topic addressed by Phyllis Richmond, professor at Case Western Reserve University. A succession of cataloging codes have been promulgated since 1940, but none of them has been very enduring, she noted. Rules have been revised by trial and error, by logical argument, by fiat, and by concensus, only to be revised once again. What is needed, she said, is to break out of the circle of endless discussion of cataloging rules and to initiate serious research into the way library catalogs are approached and used. Such research, she concluded, is the only rational basis on which to build future cataloging codes.

The practical problems that catalog users have with existing card catalogs were outlined by Anne Lipow, head of cooperative services, University of California (Berkeley) Library. "It has become virtually impossible to maintain the catalog as the dynamic finding tool it is meant to be," she declared. Complex filing rules, inconsistencies in cataloging rules, the ease with which references are lost or overlooked in a large card catalog, and unpredictable, often outdated, subject headings all contribute to the problem. On-line computerized catalogs offer access to catalog records through many different approaches not practical with card catalogs; they can help overcome filing complexities by the computer's flexibility in accommodating alternative "filings" and by the ease with which searches can be narrowed or broadened; and they can make practical the frequent revision and updating of headings, especially subject headings. Computer-based catalogs should not be regarded as a way to save money, she warned, they should instead be looked on as an opportunity to expand greatly the possibilites of the catalog as a user-oriented tool.

How well the public library user has been served by catalogers was examined with wit and spirit by Sanford Berman, head cataloger, Hennepin County Library, and editor of the *Hennepin County Library Cataloging Bulletin*. Cataloging codes, he proposed, have been designed by and for large academic and research libraries, with public libraries and other smaller libraries being inadequately represented and served. Basic cataloging principles–intelligibility and findability of catalog entries and fairness to different topics, forms of materials, and classes of users–have been too often neglected. Instead of being intelligible, he said, catalog records are encumbered with unnecessary and unintelligible data, such as the "secret punctuation" of ISBD, repetitive author statements, brackets, "mysterious Latin ciphers like 's.l.' and 's.n.'," book sizes given in centimeters, ISBN numbers, and book prices. What is needed, he urged, are more numerous and more imaginative added entries and subject entries. Subject headings, Mr. Berman maintained, too often embody "archaic, awkward and strange terminology," betray sexist, racist, ethnocentric, or other biases. More thorough subject analysis is also needed, for the present average of only 1.3 subject entries per title is insufficient, and adult fiction and drama are not subject-cataloged at all. If these problems are dealt with energetically and

imaginatively, Mr. Berman concluded, "cataloging need not be a joyless, irrelevant, zombie-like enterprise."

The problems posed by new forms of library materials (those forms variously called audiovisual, nonbook, or non-print) were addressed by Jean Weihs, course director at Seneca College of Applied Arts and Technology, Toronto, Canada, and author of the Canadian rules for cataloging non-book materials. She urged that librarians bring these materials into the mainstream of library collections by intershelving non-book items with book materials and by filing non-book-material catalog records in the general library catalog, not in a separate audiovisual catalog. These steps, she said, will make location of audiovisual materials easier for readers, resulting in their increased use. Mrs. Weihs noted that the second edition of AACR will provide for the optional use in catalog entries of general material designations, or GMDs. She urged that libraries with audiovisual collections use GMDs uniformly for all types of materials, both book and non-book. To do otherwise, she observed, would be yet another example of the discriminatory treatment that non-book materials have frequently received from librarians. Audiovisual collections do present problems, she concluded, but to leave these collections uncataloged stored out of sight, is to defeat the basic purpose of their existence

Joseph Howard, director of the Processing Department at the Library of Congress, closed the institute with a description of cataloging activities, both current and future at the Library of Congress. Primary goals of the Library during the next few years, he said, are the creation of an on line catalog (coupled with the closing of the existing card catalog projected for 1980) and the full-scale development of on-line subject heading and name authority files. He stressed the cooperative nature of many of the efforts in which the Library is engaged—the National Union Catalog, the shared cataloging program, the Conversion of Serials program (CONSER), and the Cooperative MARC project (COMARC) among them. Interdependence among libraries, he concluded, is essential if comprehensive bibliographic coverage of published materials is to be efficiently achieved.

The institute was organized and chaired by Maurice Freedman, coordinator of technical services for branch libraries, New York Public Library. Paul Fasana and Edwin Buchinski served as reactors to each of the papers presented.

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